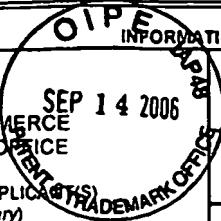


Sheet 1 of 1 <span style="float: right;">INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT</span>							
FORM PTO 1449 (modified) U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE LIST OF REFERENCES CITED BY APPLICANT(S) (Use several sheets if necessary) Date Submitted to PTO: March 29, 2006			ATTY DOCKET NO. 2006_0087A		SERIAL NO. 10/566,131		
			APPLICANT Naoki EJIMA et al.				
			FILING DATE January 27, 2006			GROUP	
							
U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
/DP/	AA	6,829,360	12/2004	Iwata et al.			
/DP/	AB	6,941,333	9/2005	Akune et al.			
	AC						
	AD						
	AE						
	AF						
	AG						
	AH						
	AI						
FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION YES NO
/DP/	AJ	00/70769	11/2000	WO			Abstract
/DP/	AK	2002-15522	1/2002	JP			Abstract
/DP/	AL	2003-15695	1/2003	JP			Abstract
/DP/	AM	2002-372993	12/2002	JP			Abstract
/DP/	AN	2002-366178	12/2002	JP			Abstract
/DP/	AO	2002-252562	9/2002	JP			Abstract
/DP/	AP	9-18351	1/1997	JP			Abstract
/DP/	AQ	9-23162	1/1997	JP			Abstract
OTHER DOCUMENT(S) (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)							
	AR						
EXAMINER	/Disler Paul/			DATE CONSIDERED	08/24/2007		

\*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of form with next communication to applicant.

Sheet 1 of 1 FORM PTO 1449 (modified) U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE LIST OF REFERENCES CITED BY APPLICANT(S) (Use several sheets if necessary) Date Submitted to PTO: September 14, 2006							
 O I P E INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT SEP 14 2006 ATTY DOCKET NO. 2006_0087A SERIAL NO. 10/566,131							
APPLICANT Naoki EJIMA et al.							
FILING DATE May 10, 2006				GROUP 2819			
<b>U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS</b>							
*EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
/DP/	AA	2002/121999	9/2002	Akune et al.			
/DP/	AB	5,754,666	5/1998	Nakagawa			
/DP/	AC	6,829,360	12/2004	Iwata et al.			
	AD						
	AE						
	AF						
	AG						
	AH						
	AI						
<b>FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS</b>							
		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION YES NO
/DP/	AJ	0 706 299	4/1996	EP			
/DP/	AK	1 126 620	8/2001	EP			
/DP/	AL	2003-15695	1/2003	JP		Abstract	
/DP/	AM	9-23162	1/1997	JP		Abstract	
	AN						
<b>OTHER DOCUMENT(S) (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)</b>							
	AO						
	AP						
	AQ						
EXAMINER	/Disler Paul/			DATE CONSIDERED	08/24/2007		

\*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of form with next communication to applicant.